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CM inaugurates Basava Jayanti in city

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah after offering floral tributes to the portrait of Basavanna to mark the inauguration of the State-level Basava Jayanti celebrations at Kalamandira in Mysuru this noon. Picture right shows Siddaramaiah, along with Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji, lighting the traditional lamp on the occasion as other dignitaries look on.

Mysuru, Apr. 20 (MK&DM)- Chief Minister Siddaramaiah inaugurated the State-level Basava Jayanti celebrations, organised jointly by the District Administration, Kannada & Culture Department, Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) and Mysuru District Basava Balagagala Okkuta at Kalamandira on Hunsur Road here this noon.

The Chief Minister also remotely laid the foundation stone for the construction of Basavanna statue to come up in the premises of Deputy Commissioner's (DC) office on Bannur Road in Siddarthanagar.

Siddarama Beldal Swamiji, Seer of Basava Yoga Kendra at Aurad in Bidar district, was conferred with the prestigious 'Basava Rashtriya Puraskara (2025-26)' on the occasion.

Earlier, CM Siddaramaiah and other dignitaries offered floral tributes to the portrait of Basavanna.

Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda presided. Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graced the occasion.

District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, Kannada and Culture Minister Shivaraj Tangadagi, MLAs Tanveer Sait and G.T. Devegowda, MLCs Dr. D. Thimmaiah, C.N. Manjegowda and K. Shivakumar, Guarantee Schemes Implementation Monitoring Authority Vice-Chairperson Dr. Pushpa Amarnath, Karnataka Bhovi Development Corporation Chairman Ramappa, Kannada & Culture Department Secretary Manjunath, Mysuru Regional Commissioner Nitesh Patil, D G. Lakshmikanth Reddy, ADC Dr. P. Shivaraju and others were present.

Cheaper auto LPG draws HUGE RUSH

Rs. 83.54 Vs Rs. 95 to Rs. 120 per litre; Fuel shortage at some petrol bunks

Mysuru, Apr. 20 (BLU&KS)- Long queues of autorickshaws were witnessed at the IndianOil dealer Ganesh Petrol Bunk at the Dhanvanthri Road junction, with drivers lining up from as early as 5 am today to fill auto LPG.

The queue of autos stretched for nearly 3-km, extending from Ganesh Petrol Bunk through Dewan's Road, Vinoba Road in front of Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry, JLB Road, Dasappa Circle and back to Dhanvanthri Road.

The rush was attributed to the lower price of auto LPG at the outlet, which is selling at Rs. 83.54 per litre, compared to higher rates charged by private players — ranging from Rs. 95 and Rs. 115 per litre to Rs. 120.

The LPG load reached the bunk only at around 12.45 pm, after which staff began dispensing fuel.

(See HUGE RUSH on page 7)

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Monday 20th April 2026

No disruption in LPG supplies or distribution in Mysuru: DC

Mysuru, Apr. 20- In the wake of people queuing up before Gas Agencies and Godowns every day out of anxiety over availability of LPG cylinders following tension in West Asia, Deputy Commissioner (DC) G. Lakshmikanth Reddy has issued a press statement seeking to clear confusions over gas supplies and distribution of LPG cylinders in Mysuru.

Lakshmikanth

Asserting that there is no disruption in gas supplies or distribution, the DC asked the people to book their LPG cylinders online, instead of rushing to Gas Agencies or Godowns in person.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

IF BASAVANNA LIVED TODAY: ***If Basavanna were to walk among us in the 21st century, his presence would be felt not as a relic of history, but as a living force of conscience. The 12th-century philosopher, poet and social reformer who challenged caste, ritualism and inequality would likely stand today at the forefront of humanity's most urgent struggles — social justice, economic dignity, ethical governance, gender equality and the responsible use of technology.***

The world he would encounter is vastly different in form, yet strikingly similar in its moral challenges. The rigid caste barriers of mediaeval society may have weakened in law, but discrimination persists in new and subtle forms — through class divides, digital exclusion, prejudice and economic inequality. Basavanna's response would almost certainly be the same as it was centuries ago: every human being is equal and no birth, background, religion or profession can determine a person's worth.

In today's age, Basavanna's immortal doctrine of Kayaka would resonate with extraordinary power. He would remind society that every form of honest work deserves dignity, from farmers and sanitation workers to software engineers, gig workers, teachers and healthcare professionals. In a world increasingly shaped by automation and artificial intelligence, he would insist that technology must empower labour, not devalue the worker.

His principle of Dasoha would perhaps emerge as a model for ethical economics. At a time when wealth inequality dominates global debate, Basavanna would likely call upon corporations, governments and citizens to ensure that prosperity reaches the last person in society. He would advocate that profits, public resources and innovation be directed toward education, healthcare, rural development and opportunities for the marginalised.

If Basavanna lived today, social media would become his new Anubhava Mantapa. Instead of a hall in Kalyana, he might create digital spaces where people from all backgrounds — students, thinkers, workers, women and reformers — could openly discuss truth, justice, spirituality and public welfare. These forums would not be arenas of hatred but platforms of reasoned dialogue, much like the original assembly that welcomed every voice...

The greatest tribute to imagining Basavanna in the 21st century is to recognise that, in many ways, he already lives among us — whenever we honour labour, uphold equality, empower women, share our resources and place humanity above division.

In that sense, the question is not whether Basavanna would fit into the modern world, but whether the modern world is ready to live by Basavanna's ideals.

— G. Mohan Prasad in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

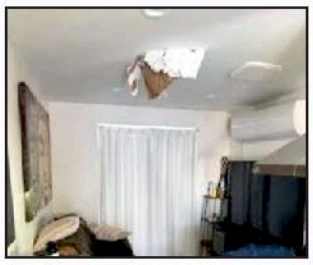
Robots outrun humans in half-marathon

Beijing: The Beijing E-Town Humanoid Robot Half-Marathon witnessed a historic milestone in robotics as several humanoid robots outpaced elite human athletes for the first time in a competitive environment.

The event featured a "human-robot joint run" where over 100 humanoid robots raced alongside roughly 12,000 human runners on the same 21.1 km course, separated by barriers for safety.

The winning robot, named 'Lightning' and developed by Chinese tech firm Honor, completed the 21.1 km race in an astonishing 50 minutes and 26 seconds, nearly seven minutes faster than the human world record of 57:20 set by Jacob Kiplimo.

Falling ice chunk crashes through roof



Whittier: A Los Angeles County supervisor is calling for a Federal Aviation Administration investigation after a chunk of ice crashed through the roof of a house.

Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn shared photos on social media showing the dirt-covered ice chunk that crashed through the roof, punched a hole in the ceiling and landed on the living room couch of a home in Whittier.

"We are lucky no one was in the room. This incident could have been much worse," Hahn said. Hahn is calling for the FAA to investigate whether the ice chunk fell from a plane

Resident Yuder Grau was home at the time of the incident and said it sounded like an explosion. Thania Manga, the home's owner, is keeping the ice, which she described as having a foul odour, bagged and frozen until it can be identified. "We definitely want to know what it is and if it's going to affect our health," Manga said.

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Workshop on Ganjifa Art at V-LEAD on Apr. 22

Mysuru, Apr. 20- To commemorate World Heritage Day, Vivekananda Institute of Indian Studies (VIIS) and Swaralayam Arts Forum, Houston, USA, have jointly organised a one-day workshop on Ganjifa Art on Apr. 22 at V-LEAD premises in Hebbal Industrial Area, Mysuru, between 10 am and 1 pm.

Shashank Bharadwaj

Shashank Bharadwaj, Artist from Mysuru, will be the resource person. The workshop will cover learning about history and techniques and also designing Ganjifa cards.

There is no entry fee for this workshop. For details and registration, contact Mob: 86601-41467, according to a press release from C. Kanakaraju, Director-Operations, Swami Vivekananda Youth Movement (SVYM).

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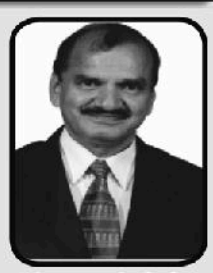

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NEWS BRIEFS

Mass Upanayana on May 14

Sri Chitkala Trust, Mysuru, has organised a free mass Upanayana for Trimatastha Brahmin community boys at Hoysala Karnataka Sangha premises located on N.S. Road on May 14. Those interested can register their names before May 6. For registration and details, contact Mob: 94815-29770.

Free health camp, lecture programme

As part of Basava Jayanti and Akshaya Tritiya, Kannada Vruttipara Balaga, Mysuru, in association with Alpha Hospital and Dr. Agarwal Eye Hospital, has organised a free health and eye check-up camp at Sri Shakti Ganapathi Temple premises located in JSS Layout on Dr. Rajkumar Road in city at 10.30 am tomorrow (Apr. 21). Also, S. Ravikumar, an Assistant Professor at Government First Grade College, Talkad, will deliver a talk on 'What After SSLC?' at the venue.

Ayurveda camp till Apr. 30

The Neck and Shoulder (Cervical Spondylosis and Frozen Shoulder) Pain Treatment Camp, organised at JSS Ayurveda Hospital, Lalithadripura Road, Alanahalli in city, from Apr. 18, will conclude on Apr. 30. For further details, contact Ph: 0821-2548231 or Mob: 79072-56203.

Lover, woman held for husband's murder

Illicit affair leads to murder in Saragur; accused arrested within 24 hours

Mysuru, Apr. 20 (KS)– Saragur Police have arrested a man for allegedly murdering his paramour's husband and seized the car used in the crime.

SP Mallikarjun Baladandi

Addressing a press meet at his office in the city yesterday, Mysuru Superintendent of Police Mallikarjun Baladandi said the deceased has been identified as Javarappa of Saragur taluk, while the accused, Siddesh, is a mason from Mavinahalli village in Jayapura hobli of Mysuru taluk.

Quarrel over family issues

According to a complaint filed by Javarappa's brother Ravi, Javarappa had married Amrutha of Hadya village in Nanjangud taluk about nine years ago and the couple had two children. The complaint stated that the couple frequently quarrelled over family issues.

About 12 days ago, Amrutha had gone to her parents' house along with the children for a festival. On Apr. 16 at around 11 am, Javarappa informed Ravi that he was going to Hadya. Later, at about 6.45 pm, he called to say he was in Hediyala and would return home.

The complaint further stated that a villager, Murthy, saw Javarappa near a garment shop in Hediyala at about 7.45 pm. When Murthy asked him to return to the village, a man accompanying Javarappa said he would bring him back. Murthy later informed Ravi about it.

Body found by the side of the road

The next morning, on Apr. 17 at about 6.30 am, two villagers, Krishna and Rajashekar, noticed Javarappa lying by the roadside while transporting milk to Kadubegur.

When he did not respond, they alerted others. Villagers who gathered at the spot found injuries on his dead body, following which Ravi lodged a complaint at Saragur Police Station.

Senior officers, including SP Mallikarjun Baladandi, Additional SPs C. Mallik and L. Nagesh, and Dy.SP Ravi visited the spot and began investigations. Three teams were formed to trace the accused.

Based on leads, a team led by Dy.SP Ravi, along with Saragur Inspector Prasanna Kumar, SI R. Kiran and Antharasanthe SI Chandrahasanayaka, arrested Siddesh at Hampapura at about 9 am on Apr. 18.

Dy.SP Ravi, Saragur Inspector Prasanna Kumar, Sub-Inspector R. Kiran, Antharasanthe Sub-Inspector Chandrahasanayaka, Sub-Inspector R. Kumar, Assistant Sub-Inspectors Srikantaswamy and Krishnakumar, along with staff Imran Ahmed, M.S. Shivaraju, Krishnaiah, Vinaykumar, Sunil Kumar, Ramesh, H.S. Chandra and M. Shobha, besides Antharasanthe Police personnel Parashivamurthy, Somanayaka, Maliyappa, Anand, Shivappa and Ramakrishna, and District Police Technical Wing ASI Vasanthkumar, were part of the operation.

A conspiracy to remove 'obstacle'

During interrogation, Siddesh is said to have confessed to having an illicit relationship with Amrutha. Police said the duo conspired to eliminate Javarappa, who they considered an obstacle.

On Apr. 16 evening, after being alerted by Amrutha about her husband's movements, Siddesh allegedly waited for Javarappa at Hediyala, took him to a bar and made him consume alcohol.

Siddesh then drove him to a secluded spot near Yethiga Halla in Saragur limits, where he allegedly strangled him with a towel. The body was later dumped by the roadside near Kurnigala village.

Following the confession, the Police arrested Amrutha and seized the car (TN-02-AH-9191) used in the crime within 24 hours.

Obituary

Kuttanda T. Naresh

Mysuru, Apr. 20- Kuttanda T. Naresh (64), son of late K.S. Thammaiah and a resident of Subramanyanagar, 3rd Stage, Hebbal Ring Road, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind his wife K.N. Gayathri, daughter Anusha and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at Chirashantidhama in Gokulam this afternoon.

Poilangada Niran Poonacha

Poilangada Niran Poonacha (54), son of late Poovaiah and a Member of Gokulam Kodava Sangha, passed away following a heart attack at Bengaluru yesterday. He leaves behind his mother, wife, children and a host of relatives and friends.

A native of Hermad, Kumtur Badaga village in Ponnampet taluk of Kodagu district, he was residing at Saibya Square Apartments on Begur Main Road in Bengaluru. Last rites were held at Kudlu Crematorium in Bengaluru this afternoon.

Mangala

Mangala (57), a resident of T.K. Layout, passed away yesterday in city.

She leaves behind one daughter, one son and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at Janatanagar Burial Grounds this afternoon.

Man gets life imprisonment for killing daughter-in-law

He had hammered his daughter-in-law to death as she refused his sexual advances

Mysuru, Apr. 20 (BLU&KS)– The City's 5th Additional District and Sessions Court has sentenced a man to life imprisonment for murdering his daughter-in-law after she refused his sexual advances.

The convicted, Gantaiah, is a resident of Harohalli village under Varuna Police limits.

According to the prosecution, Gantaiah's eldest son, Chikkaluraiah, had married Kavitha 15 years ago and the couple had three children. Kavitha was working as a storekeeper at a private college, while her husband was unemployed. Gantaiah, who was also working, lived with the family.

Over the past few days, Gantaiah had allegedly developed an illicit relationship with Kavitha, which led to frequent quarrels between them.

On July 10, 2023, following an argument, Chikkaluraiah left the house with his eldest son and spent the night at the Narayanaswamy Temple in the village. Later, while Kavitha was asleep with her two younger children, Gantaiah allegedly approached her with sexual intent. When she refused, he attacked her with a hammer, killing her on the spot.

A case was registered at Varuna Police Station, and Inspector G.S. Swarna filed the charge sheet after completing the investigation.

Judge K.N. Roopa, after hearing arguments from both sides, found Gantaiah guilty and sentenced him to life imprisonment.

The Court also imposed a fine of Rs. 1.50 lakh, failing which the accused will have to undergo an additional one year of simple imprisonment.

The prosecution was represented by then Public Prosecutor B.E. Yogeshwar and present Public Prosecutor A.N. Madhu.

Departmental enquiry ordered

Judge K.N. Roopa has also ordered a departmental enquiry against Varuna Gram Panchayat employee Michael Mathew for allegedly giving false evidence during the spot mahazar.

He had been taken as a witness by the Police but later gave a false statement during the investigation, prompting the Court to direct action, Public Prosecutor A.N. Madhu said.

VOICE OF THE READER

Crawford Hall Underpass proposal needs a rethink

Sir,

This refers to the news item titled "Citizens urge rethink on Crawford Hall Underpass" published in *SOM* dated Apr.15.

Indeed, traffic on the stretch from Government Press Junction to Ekalavya Circle has increased significantly in recent years.

While some have suggested that constructing an underpass may be a solution, it is important to carefully evaluate all associated implications.

Concerns such as safety of heritage structures like Crawford Hall, Oriental Research Institute and Maharaja's College, as well as potential loss of 80 heritage trees, cannot be overlooked.

Before proceeding with such an irreversible intervention, alternative solutions should be explored.

There is already a Road Under Bridge (RUB) near the Fire Brigade and an overbridge on Hunsur Road (opposite CFTRI gate). A more practical approach may be to regulate traffic flow by allowing vehicles from the Kukkarahalli side to pass through the level crossing in a single direction, while diverting other vehicles via the Fire Brigade RUB or the Hunsur Road overbridge.

Converting this stretch into a one-way system could significantly ease congestion.

Such a measure would help avoid large-scale tree cutting, reduce manpower requirements, and conserve public funds, which could instead be allocated to more sustainable infrastructure projects.

I hope the authorities and our elected representatives take cognisance of these concerns and consider solutions that balance development with heritage and environmental preservation.

—Vijay Hemmige
Vijayanagar Railway Layout
15.4.2026

Marital bliss has a special place in our culture: Writer

Second edition of 'Bhoomi Putri' authored by Raghu R. Kautilya released

***Singer Shubha Raghavendra** (centre) releasing 'Bhoomi Putri' authored by Raghu R. Kautilya at a programme held at Nirmaladhama on Saturday. Others seen are (from right) author Raghu R. Kautilya (Chairman of Nypunya School of Excellence-NSE), NSE Academic Director Dr. Gururaj Sridhar, columnist Dr. Gubbigoodu Ramesh, retired Police Officer J.B. Rangaswamy, Vidushi Dr. Shambavi Swamy and Raghu's son R. Kautilya, Secretary, Nypunya Institutions.*

Mysuru, Apr. 20 (SPN&DM)- Singer Shubha Raghavendra released the second edition of 'Bhoomi Putri', a book authored by State BJP OBC Morcha President Raghu R. Kautilya in memory of his wife Nirmala Raghu, at a programme organised under the aegis of Nypunya School of Excellence (NSE) at Nirmaladhama near Nanjangud Road Toll Gate on Saturday.

Speaking on the occasion, writer and columnist Dr. Gubbigoodu Ramesh said marital bliss has a big place in our culture. He said that author Raghu Kautilya, realising the real value of marital life, has penned his heartfelt feelings towards his wife in the book.

"Raghu has come up with memories of his late wife Nirmala in every page of the book. Every line in the book highlights the respect and feelings that he had for his wife," Dr. Gubbigoodu Ramesh said.

He noted that what Raghu has written is a poetic (Sakhi Geethe) narration of a happy married life, underlined by themes of companionship, emotional bond and life.

Later, students of the city's Ayama Academy performed noted poet K.S. Narasimhaswamy's poetic dance-drama 'Ninnolume Aramanege,' under the direction of Vidu. Dr. Shambhavi Swamy.

Retired Police Officer J.B. Rangaswamy, author Raghu R. Kautilya, who is also the Chairman of Nypunya School of Excellence, NSE Academic Director Gururaj Sridhar and others were present on the occasion.

30-bed Emergency Care and Recovery Centre opens

Mysuru, Apr. 20 (PM&BCT)- A 30-bed Emergency Care and Recovery Centre (ECRC) for the treatment and rehabilitation of homeless persons with mental illness was inaugurated by District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa yesterday at the old Jayadeva Hospital building in K.R. Hospital premises.

The facility is set up under the District Mental Health Programme to provide care for destitute patients. The Centre will function under the supervision of District Health and Family Welfare Department, District Non-Communicable Diseases Unit and Department of Psychiatry at Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMC&RI), in collaboration with Aaladamara Foundation, Bengaluru.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, K.R. Hospital Medical Superintendent Dr. H.P. Shobha said the ECRC will offer free treatment, care and rehabilitation services to homeless persons suffering from mental illness.

Six rooms and a hall adjacent to the Psychiatry wing of old Jayadeva building have been readied for the facility. Aaladamara Foundation will manage treatment and care, with Dr. Vinay serving as attending Physician.

Dy. Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy, DHO Dr. P.C. Kumaraswamy, District NCD Programme Officer and Nodal Officer Dr. B. Brinda, MMC&RI Dean and Director Dr. K.R. Dakshayani, K.R. Hospital Resident Medical Officer Dr. Nayaz Pasha, Foundation President Dr. Kishore and MMC&RI Chief Administrative Officer Mahesh were present.

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Lokayukta raids Govt. Hospitals, Scanning Centres in Mandya

- Raids uncover lapses in maternal care facilities
- Lokayukta sleuths find gaps in scanning services, vacant posts, lack of ultrasound training

Mandya, Apr. 20 (MR&VNS)- Acting on complaints of illegal sex determination and the alleged referral of patients from Government Hospitals to private scanning centres despite the availability of equipment, Lokayukta sleuths conducted raids at several Government Hospitals across the district yesterday.

The raids covered Taluk Hospitals in Mandya, Malavalli, Maddur, Srirangapatna, Pandavapura, K.R. Pet and Nagamangala.

Officials inspected scanning records and other documents during the operation.

The team, led by Lokayukta SP Suresh Babu and comprising officials from Mandya, Ramanagara and Chamarajanagar, carried out simultaneous inspections at the hospitals and offices of Health Department officials.

Sources said discrepancies were found in records at several Taluk Hospitals and Department offices. During the inspection, officials noted that the Department of Health and Family Welfare had failed to submit mandatory inspection reports of scanning centres, which are required once every 90 days.

At Maddur Taluk Hospital, despite ultrasound equipment being sanctioned, the doctor on duty, Dr. Sheela, had not been trained to operate it.

At Srirangapatna, the waiting room for pregnant women was found to lack basic amenities such as ventilation, lighting and drinking water.

Officials also observed that key posts, including that of a Radiologist, remain vacant at several Taluk Hospitals despite the availability of scanning equipment since 2017.

Similar shortcomings were reported in Malavalli, Nagamangala and K.R. Pet. Despite repeated correspondence with higher authorities, the vacancies have not been filled. Sources alleged that the delay may be benefiting private diagnostic centres.

The inspection further revealed that Assistant Commissioners in Mandya and Pandavapura had been conducting periodic checks of diagnostic centres. However, some Government Hospital doctors were referring patients to private scanning facilities. Further investigation is underway.

Lokayukta Police during inspection of documents at Mandya DHO Office.

Discrepancies found in documents

Mandya Lokayukta SP Suresh Babu said discrepancies were found in records during the inspections and an investigation has been initiated.

Addressing mediapersons, he said that under the rules, a Police complaint must be filed immediately in cases of teenage pregnancy, with cases booked under the POCSO Act, 2012. "However, this is not being followed," he noted.

He further said that a private scanning centre in K.R. Pet had failed to record the age of patients undergoing scans. Similar lapses were also noticed in Government Hospitals across the district.

"Our officials are examining the irregularities and appropriate action will be taken based on the findings," he said, adding that no instances of sex determination were detected during the raids.

Diagnostic centres fail to report teen pregnancy

K.R. Pet (Mandya), Apr. 20 (VNS) - The Lokayukta Police conducted raids on two private diagnostic centres in the town yesterday for failing to report teenage pregnancy cases.

Indicating the persistence of such violations, Lokayukta Police, during the raids, found that 31 teenage pregnant girls had undergone scans in violation of norms.

During a raid on Navi Diagnostic Centre, officials found that 24 teenage pregnant girls (19 in 2024 and five in 2025) had undergone antenatal sonography tests (which is done not only to monitor the foetus' development, health and position inside the uterus but to also identify the sex of the foetus) in violation of the Pre-Conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques (Prohibition of Sex Selection) Act, 1994.

The Centre was reportedly run by a Mysuru-based doctor, who operates similar facilities in Mysuru, Nanjangud and Chamarajanagar.

A similar violation was detected at Kushal Diagnostic Centre, where five pregnant teenage girls had undergone similar scans.

10,101 scans since 2018

Officials found that this Centre had conducted 10,101 scans since 2018 but recorded only 3,629 cases in the antenatal sonography register, leaving 6,472 scans unaccounted for.

It had also failed to collect age proof for 64 pregnant women in the 18-20 age group, in violation of rules.

Lokayukta officials said both the Diagnostic Centres had violated provisions mandating that cases of teenage pregnancy be reported to the Police under the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act.

The raids were conducted following a complaint filed by one K.N. Manjunath to Upa Lokayukta Justice B. Veerappa. Manjunath in his complaint had alleged that the Diagnostic Centres were carrying out illegal sex determination scans.

Six drown in Cauvery; three of them kids

Mysuru, Apr. 20 (BCT)- In a tragic incident, six persons of an extended family, including three children, drowned in the River Cauvery near the Meenakshi Sametha Arkeshwaraswamy Temple, Hale Yedathore, at K.R. Nagar yesterday.

The deceased have been identified as Asifa Mohammadi (13) of K.R. Nagar, Emma Aiman (13) of Kadugondanahalli, Bengaluru, Mohammad Yaseen (23), Neha Kousar (19), Uzair (5) of Udayagiri in Mysuru and Syed Fatima (42) of Ooty, Tamil Nadu. Yaseen and Neha Kousar were reportedly recently married.

According to Police, the victims had come to K.R. Nagar on Saturday to attend the ongoing Urus (annual religious fair) at Hazrat Syed Khadar Lingavali Dargah.

Last evening, as the festival drew large crowds, three children, four women and one man entered the River near the pump house that supplies water to the town. While swimming, one girl was swept away by the current. Two other kids who tried to rescue her were also pulled under.

Seeing the children struggle, the remaining members rushed to help, but were themselves dragged into the strong flow. By then, panic had spread among the group. Locals on the riverbank rushed to assist, but six lives were lost in the tragedy.

Three women were, however, rescued. The survivors, Salma Banu of K.R. Nagar, Zubeda Banu of Bannur and Asiya of Udayagiri in Mysuru, are undergoing treatment at K.R. Hospital.

CM announces Rs. 5 lakh relief

Mysuru, Apr. 20- Chief Minister Siddaramaiah has expressed deep sorrow over the drowning of six persons in River Cauvery at K.R. Nagar. In a message posted on 'X', he said it was painful to learn that six lives were lost while swimming in the river. He prayed for the departed souls to rest in peace and for their families to find the strength to bear the loss.

The CM also announced a compensation of Rs. 5 lakh to each bereaved family and said the Government would extend support to ensure they do not face financial hardship. He further wished a speedy recovery to those undergoing treatment in the hospital.

Leaders visit, announce relief

K.R. Nagar MLA D. Ravishankar visited the Taluk Hospital and consoled the bereaved families. He announced Rs. 5 lakh compensation for each victim's family and said the Government would bear the medical expenses of the injured. He also assured an additional Rs. 50,000 as personal relief to each family.

Former MLA S.R. Mahesh also visited the hospital, offered condolences and personally distributed Rs. 50,000 to each family.

Mysuru SP Mallikarjun Baladandi inspected the spot and said complaints from the victims' families would be formally recorded.

Two youths drown near Periyapatna

Periyapatna, Apr. 20 (BCT)- Two youths drowned in River Cauvery near Dodda Harave in Periyapatna taluk yesterday afternoon. The deceased have been identified as Ganesh (22) and Imran (28), both residents of the town and engaged in tile and painting work.

According to Police, the duo had gone to the river along with two friends for a swim. While in the water, Ganesh and Imran were caught in a sudden current and swept away.

Ganesh's body has been recovered, while search operations are underway to trace Imran's body. A case has been registered at Bylakuppe Police Station and investigation is on.

'Global welfare can be achieved by treading Basavanna's path'

Actress Anu Prabhakar inaugurates day-1 events of Basava Jayanti celebrations

Mysuru, Apr. 20 (VVH&DM)- "We are witnessing a world where wars, jealousy, cheating, hatred and injustice have become dominant. Global welfare that involves love and affection, peace and harmonious living, can be achieved if we tread the path of Basava Marga," said noted actress Anu Prabhakar.

She was speaking after inaugurating the stage programme of the two-day Basava Jayanti celebrations organised jointly by Mysuru District Basava Balagagala Okkuta, Akhila Bharata Veerashaiva Lingayat Mahasabha and a host of other Veerashaiva-Lingayat Associations and organisations at Kalamandira on Hunsur Road here yesterday.

Pointing out that it is important to lead an indiscriminatory, non-partisan and harmonious life, Anu Prabhakar said that reading Vachanas will help us in developing intellectual thoughts and ideas. This will help in making our children lead a better life, she maintained.

Police Officer Priyadarshini Sanekoppa, in her address, said, there are life lessons in Vachanas. Vachanas are also our Guru, friend and philosopher, she said adding that Vachanas give us strength when we have to face stressful and challenging situations.

"There will be no need to bow before anyone when we do our 'Kayaka' (work) with honesty and dedication. But we will only be doing injustice if there is dishonesty. There are many scientific thoughts in the principles of Basavadi Sharanas. But the thing is that we have to find them," she said while stressing on the need for always treading the path of 'Satya Marga.'

Akhila Bharata Veerashaiva Mahasabha Women's Wing President Veena Kashappanavar said, Basavanna advocated equal opportunities for women in the 12th Century itself. A healthy society can be built by adopting and following Vachana philosophy in life, she pointed out.

Actor Amith Mosambayanahalli and painter Nandita Mahesh were felicitated on the occasion.

Mariyala Immadi Mutt Seer Sri Murugharajendra Swamiji, Usha Pandit, Nagaveni & Basava Balagagala Okkuta President M. Chandrashekar were present.

Bitcoin fraud case

ED raids Congress MLA Haris, sons' residences

Not aware of ED raids, says CM Siddaramaiah in Mysuru

Bengaluru, Apr. 20 (Agencies)- The Enforcement Directorate (ED) conducted searches at multiple locations in Bengaluru, including the residences of Mohammed Haris Nalpad and Omar Farook Nalpad, sons of BDA Chairman and MLA N.A. Haris, here this morning.

MLA N.A. Haris

The searches were carried out under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA). It is alleged that Mohammed Nalpad and Farook Nalpad are beneficiaries of proceeds linked to alleged crypto-related crimes.

ED officials also searched N.A. Haris' residence in Ashoknagar and premises associated with the prime accused, Srikrishna Ramesh alias Sriki.

Sriki, described as an international hacker, is accused of stealing cryptocurrency worth crores through multiple hacking operations.

Reacting to the ED raids on Congress MLA Haris and his kin, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah told reporters at the Mysore Airport at Mandakalli this morning that he was not aware of the raids. "I do not know about the raids," he said, moving on to answer the next question.

Sources said, the ED probe is based on several FIRs and charge-sheets filed by the Karnataka Police, involving cases of hacking of national and international websites, bitcoin theft, extortion and violations under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, 1985.

Police had earlier filed a charge-sheet against Sriki in 2021, accusing him of hacking an online gaming website and a Government portal under provisions of the Indian Penal Code (IPC) and the IT Act.

Searches were on when we went to the Press and further details are awaited.

Vachana Artworks Expo at Kalamandira

Veteran artist L. Shivalingappa at his Vachana Artworks Expo at Suchitra Art Gallery in Kalamandira this morning.

Mysuru, Apr. 20 (VVH&DM)- As part of Basava Jayanti celebrations organised under the joint aegis of Basava Balagagala Okkuta, Kannada and Culture Department, District Administration and Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), an exhibition of Vachana Artworks created by veteran artist-cum-sculptor of the city, L. Shivalingappa, was inaugurated at Suchitra Art Gallery in Kalamandira premises yesterday.

The expo features many natural artworks highlighting the philosophies of Vachanas and Basavanna's principles.

Speaking on the occasion, artist Shivalingappa said, he has been painting Basavanna's Vachanas for over 50 years using natural art practices.

Pointing out that Basavanna's messages are very much thoughtful and relevant to the society even today, he said, he hoped the exhibition will help in spreading the philosophies of Basavanna, Akka Mahadevi and other Vachanakaras to the widest range possible.

Cheaper auto LPG draws huge rush

(Continued from page 1)

A similar scene was witnessed at the auto LPG station near the historic Elgin Fountain Circle on the Mysuru-Bengaluru Road, where autos were lined up from the station along Shivaji Road up to the Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Statue.

Petrol shortage at some bunks

Meanwhile, a few State-run petrol bunks reported running out of petrol amid surging demand.

With private outlets charging higher prices, most motorists were seen thronging fuel stations operated by IndianOil Corporation Limited (IOCL), Hindustan Petroleum (HP) and Bharat Petroleum (BP), leading to shortages.

A petrol bunk, opposite the Mysore Tennis Club on Krishnaraja Boulevard, ran dry this morning, forcing motorists to rush to other outlets.

A dealer said that while fuel depots are supplying regular daily loads, no additional supply is being provided to meet the increased demand. As a result, some fuel stations have run dry and will resume supply once fresh stocks arrive.

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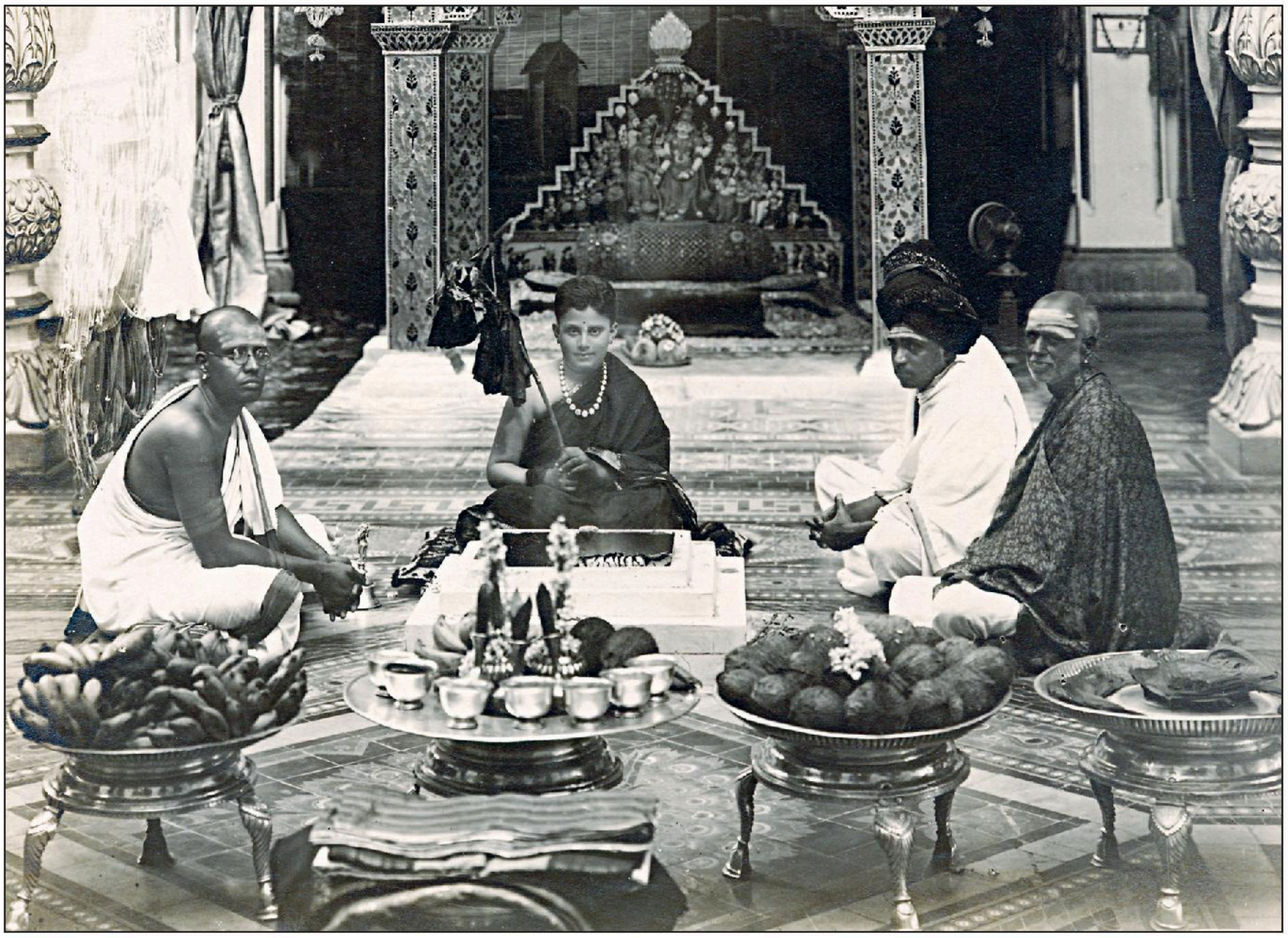
Vintage Vignettes
... from a Princely State



By R.G. Singh
Secretary, Ramsons Kala Pratishtana

The upanayana (thread ceremony) of Prince Jayachamarajendra Wadiyar was performed on Friday, 23 May 1930 at Kalyana Mantapa of the Palace. In this photograph, the young Prince is seated at the centre holding a twig of palasha tree, facing the square homa-kunda. Notice the kankana tied on his right wrist. Priests (in white clothes) seated on either side of the Prince remain unidentified. However, the elderly gentleman draped in a dark coloured shawl is identified as Asthana Maha Vidwan Motaganahalli Ramashesha Sastri who officiated the event.

Interestingly, Sri Ramashesha Sastri, who retired from his official vocation in 1926, was requested by the Palace authorities to give private tuitions in Samskruta and Kannada to the young Prince Jayachamarajendra Wadiyar.

The three-footed traditional circular silver stools, called Mukkali, are seen bearing circular salvers carrying mangala dravya (auspicious unguents), plantains, coconuts and new clothes.

[Size: 20x15 cms; Collection: Ramsons Kala Pratishtana]

ATL Community Day at Citizen Convent

Mysuru, Apr. 20- Citizen Convent School, Udayagiri, celebrated **ATL (Atal Tinkering Lab)** Community Day 2026 in connection with the birth anniversary of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, under the initiative of Atal Innovation Mission.

The event aimed to promote innovation, creativity and scientific thinking among students and local community. A series of engaging and hands-on activities were conducted.

Students actively participated in innovative sessions such as 'Sensor Ka Jadoo,' exploring ultrasonic sensor-based projects, along with Artificial Intelligence (AI) workshops that introduced them to emerging technologies.

The school also organised 'Tinker Quest' quizzes and Innovation Flash Mob activities, making learning interactive and enjoyable. A special highlight was 'Brain Bazar' pitching session, where young innovators showcased their creative ideas and problem-solving projects, encouraging entrepreneurial thinking. As part of community outreach, Citizen Convent invited students from nearby schools to experience ATL, promoting collaborative learning and extending STEM education to a wider community.

The programme was conducted under the guidance of Dr. Maha Jabeen, Founder-Secretary & Principal and coordinated by Abdul Muheeb, ATL Incharge, along with the dedicated efforts of teachers and staff.

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WORD OF THE DAY

Nugatory

Pronunciation: NOO-guh-tor-ee (adjective)
Meaning: Something described as nugatory is of little or no consequence. In law, nugatory describes something (such as a statute or agreement) without operative legal effect.
Origin: Just because nugatory isn't the most common word in the English language doesn't mean it's trifling. Rather, nugatory is literally trifling because the two words are synonymous, as in "comments too nugatory to merit attention." Nugatory first appeared in English in the 17th century; it comes from the Latin adjective nugatorius, which can mean not only "trifling" or "frivolous" but also "futile." This sense carried over into English as well, and so in some contexts nugatory means "ineffective" or "having no force," as when Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist Marilynne Robinson invoked "the nugatory value of the contemporary penny." Nugatory may mean little to some, but we think it's worth a pretty penny.
Example: "Public outrage, fanned by the press, did not engage with work but focused instead on taxpayers' money having been squandered on a worthless 'pile of bricks.' In fact, the purchase price of [pounds sterling] 2,297 was nugatory, but the issue was never really about price but about rejecting the new and the challenging in art." — Art Monthly, 1 Dec. 2025.

THE ODD WORD

Nodose

Having knots or nodules; knotty.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Sick as a dog

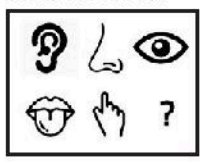
Meaning: When you use the phrase 'Sick as a dog' you mean that someone is very sick.
Origin: The origin of the phrase 'Sick as a dog' can be found in the early 1700's, when it was common to compare undesirable things to dogs. The explanation for this isn't that people didn't like dogs, it is that diseases such as the plague were often spread via animals like rats, birds and unfortunately, dogs.
Example: "How are you?" Answer: "Not great. In fact, I've been sick as a dog for the last three days."

QUOTE BOX

Failure will never overtake me if my determination to succeed is strong enough. **—Og Mandino**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:



Answer: The Sixth Sense.

SUDOKU

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Answer to previous puzzle

5	9	8	1	3	7	2	4	6
6	4	1	8	2	5	9	3	7
2	7	3	4	6	9	5	1	8
7	8	6	2	9	3	4	5	1
4	3	9	6	5	1	8	7	2
1	5	2	7	4	8	3	6	9
3	2	4	9	1	6	7	8	5
9	6	7	5	8	4	1	2	3
8	1	5	3	7	2	6	9	4

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 A young cow
5 Spanish surrealist painter
9 Track circuit
12 Famous cookie
13 Unfortunately
14 Bull periods
15 Animal's abode?
16 Magic
18 All __ ___ : confused ? (2,3)
20 Individually
21 Self-confident words (1,3)
24 Egyptian capital
27 Seem to be genuine (4,4)
31 __-les-Bains
32 "Note" the change to famous English school?
33 Instrument Meteorological Conditions
34 Poker stake
35 Mr. Anand of Bollywood
36 Amitabh and Jaya starrer
38 Mountain nymph
41 Painful place
42 Exodus author __ Uris
44 Get down to pray
48 Very fine fracture
52 Analogy words (2,2)
53 Aliens?
54 Ski lift (1-3)
55 Earlier said ___ done?
56 Amb. attendant
57 Nav. readings
58 Famous American university, founded in 1701

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

J	I	M	■	P	I	C	A	■	P	O	U	R
A	V	I	■	L	A	U	D	■	E	R	S	E
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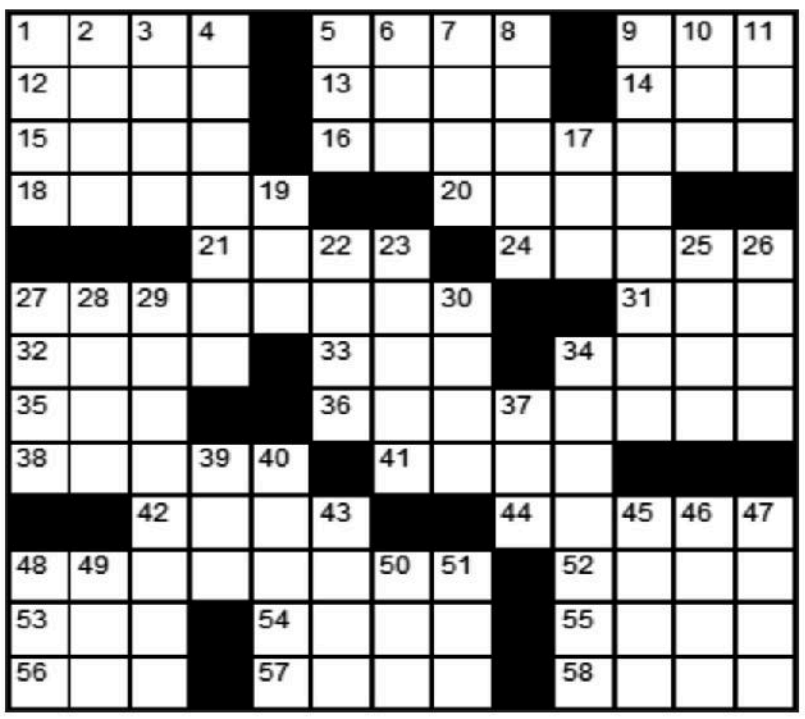
Y	A	R	N	■	N	E	S	T	■	A	H	S

DOWN

1 Soft drink
2 I smell __ __ : there's something fishy here? (1,3)
3 Garlands of flowers from Polynesia
4 Not domestic
5 Black bird resembling a crow or a raven
6 Ex-India batsman Mushtaq __
7 Take one's ease
8 SF writer Asimov
9 City in Punjab
10 Fourth month, in short
11 "Gangnam Style" rapper
17 Record company ___ Victor
19 Deed
22 Operatic solo
23 Deadens or anesthetizes ?
25 Singer Coolidge
26 Cattle
27 Decorate anew
28 Road to Rome - "tier" anagram?
29 Author
30 Reverberate
34 Facility
37 Bother
39 Ireland's ___ Lingus
40 Stupid people
43 The working parts of pens
45 Bollywood's ___ Deol
46 And others, in Latin (2,2)
47 ___ wolf : he is more by himself?
48 Haw's partner?
49 Cash source?
50 Not
51 Conversational stopgaps



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

TZ QTU THXNB RUW RDUQZWB QSDD RSXM RDUQZWB;

OXM TZ QTU DUJZB QZZMB KOI RSXM QZZMB.

TODAY'S CLUE: T EQUALS H

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: There is no greater agony than bearing an untold story inside you.

SINGLE SCREEN THEATRES

- **Sangam Theatre** **Ph: 2520494**
  Terror (K) - 4 Shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** **Mob: 99008-20093**
  Love Mocktail 3 (K) - 4 Shows
- **Gayathri Theatre** **Ph: 2443568**
  Kotigobba (K) - 3 Shows
- **Lido Theatre** **Ph: 2420885**
  Bengaluru Inn (K) - 4 Shows
- **Padma Theatre** **Ph: 2521923**
  Youth (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Woodlands Theatre** **Ph: 2422871**
  Bad Boy Karthik (Te) - 4 Shows
- **Prabha Theatre** **Mob: 98454-14691**
  Kendada Seragu (K) - 2 Shows; *Calendar (K)* - 2 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** **Ph: 2423554**
  Mr. X (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Balaji Theatre** **Mob: 98863-25207**
  Bhooth Bangla (H) - 3 Shows

MOVIES AT DRC CINEMAS Ph: 4240422 4241800

Lee Cronin's The Mummy (E)	(S-1)	10.15 am, 1.05 pm
		7.25 pm, 10.15 pm
Bhooth Bangla (H)	(S-1)	3.55 pm; (S-3) 10.05 am
	(S-4)	7.05 pm, 10.30 pm
Mr. X (Ta)	(S-2)	9.55 am, 1 pm; (S-4) 4 pm
Love Insurance Kompany (Ta)	(S-2)	4.05 pm
Oru Durooha Saahavharyathil (Ma)	(S-2)	7.15 pm
Vaazha II: Biopic of a Billion Bros (Ma)	(S-2)	10 pm
Dhurandhar: The Revenge (H)	(S-3)	1.30 pm, 6 pm
Pallichattambi (Ma)	(S-3)	10.30 pm
Bharathanatyam 2 mohiniyattam (Ma)	(S-4)	10.10 am
Love Mocktail 3 (K)	(S-4)	1.10 pm

MOVIES AT MYSURU VISION CINEMAS Ph: 2973519

Dhurandhar: The Revenge (K)	:	12.45 pm, 5.10 pm
Dhurandhar: The Revenge (H)	:	9.30 pm
Mr. X (Ta)	:	12.45 pm, 3.40 pm
		6.35 pm
Bhooth Bangla (H)	:	1.30 pm, 6.05 pm
		9.30 pm
Love Mocktail 3 (K)	:	1.30 pm, 6.50 pm
Pallichattambi (Ma)	:	4.15 pm
Bharathanatyam 2 Mohiniyattam (Ma)	:	9.30 pm
Vaazha II: Biopic of a Billion Bros (Ma)	:	9.30 pm

MOVIES AT NEXUS MALL

Bhooth Bangla (H)	:	9.30 am, 2.30 pm, 5.55 pm
		6.55 pm, 9.20 pm 10.20 pm
Dhurandhar: The Revenge (H)	:	9.35 am, 5.25 pm, 10 pm
Mr. X (Ta)	:	9.40 am, 12.50 pm, 7.20 10.30 pm
Love Mocktail 3 (K)	:	10 am, 3.50 pm
BTS World Tour 'Arirang' in Japan: Live Viewing (Korean)	:	11 am
BTS World Tour 'Arirang' in Japan: Re-Broadcasting (Korean)	:	3 pm
LIK: Love Insurance Kompany (Ta)	:	11.15 am
Bad Boy Karthik (Te)	:	12.50 pm
Lee Cronin's The Mummy (E)	:	12.50 pm, 6.40 pm, 9.40 pm
Project Hail Mary (E)	:	2.10 pm
Dacoit (Te)	:	3.55 pm
Vaazha 2: Biopic of a Billion Bros (Ma)	:	4 pm
Pallichattambi (Ma)	:	7.05 pm
Bharathanatyam 2 Mohiniyattam (Ma)	:	9.50 pm

MOVIES AT GARUDA MALL

Mr. X (Ta)	:	9.40 am, 4.20 pm, 10.10 pm
Bhooth Bangla (H)	:	9.45 am, 11.05 am, 2.30 pm
		3.20 pm, 6.45 pm, 10.30 pm
Dhurandhar: The Revenge (K)	:	10.45 am
Dhurandhar: The Revenge (H)	:	5.55 pm, 10.20 pm
LIK: Love Insurance Kompany (Ta)	:	1.05 pm
Lee Cronin's The Mummy (E)	:	1.10 pm, 4.10 pm, 10 pm
Love Mocktail 3 (K)	:	7.10 pm
Oru Durooha Saahacharyathil (Ma)	:	7.30 pm

EVENTS TODAY (APRIL 20)

- **Sri Vyasatirtha Vidyapeetha, Sri Vyasaraja Mutt (Sosale):** 11th Anniversary celebrations and Rig Veda Samhita Mangala Mahotsava, Sri Vidyashreesha Tirtha Sripadangal graces the occasion, Veda Gosha and Invocation by students of Vidyapeetha, Vidyapeetha Hon. Secretary Dr. D.P. Madhusudanacharya delivers keynote address, University of Mysore VC Prof. N.K. Lokanath, Archaeology, Museums & Heritage Department Commissioner A. Devaraju and former MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev chief guests, Vidyapeetha Managing Trustee Dr. C.H. Srinivasamurthy Archarya invitee scholar, Vidyapeetha Vice-Principal Shreeshacharya Ayachita proposes vote of thanks; Staging of Sanskrit play 'Madhyamavyayoga' by students of Vidyapeetha, Sri Vyasaraja Mutt (Sosale), **5 pm.**
- **Basava Balagagala Okkuta, Mysuru, Akhila Bharata Veerashaiva Lingayat Mahasabha and Veerashaiva Lingayat Associations & Organisations:** Valedictory of 2-day Basava Jayanti celebrations, State BJP Chief B.Y. Vijayendra delivers the valedictory address, Siddaganga Mutt Junior Pontiff Sri Shivasiddeshwara Swamiji releases the book 'Sharana Tatvada Haadiyalli', while Devanur Mutt's Mahanta Swamiji releases 'Basava Kaivalya Deepike,' Akhila Bharata Sharana Sahitya Parishat State President and former IAS Officer Dr. C. Somashekar and Akhila Bharata Veerashaiva-Lingayat Mahasabha State President and former IPS Officer Shankar Bidari chief guests, Felicitation to Padma Shri awardee Dr. S.J. Susheelamma, Mysuru Regional Commissioner Nitesh Patil, City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar, Additional DC Dr. P. Shivaraju, Kodagu Additional DC Aishwarya, Karnataka Union of Working Journalists President Shivanand Tagadur, sculptor Arun Yogiraj, farmer leader Kurubur Shantakumar, Sparsha Hospital head Dr. Sharan Patil, academician N. Sachidanandamurthy and Chinnaswamy Vaddagere, Kalamandira, **5 pm.**
- **Akhila Bharatiya Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru:** Samskruta Prakara, Sanskrit & Veda Scholar Vid. Chidambara Bhat inaugurates, Sanskrit Scholar & retd. Joint Director of Department of Public Instructions Vidwan Dr. T.N. Prabhakar and Sadvidya Educational Institutions Hon. Secretary M.D. Gopinath chief guests, Akhila Bharatiya Sahitya Parishat-Karnataka's Dr. V. Ranganath will be present, Akhila Bharatiya Sahitya Parishat Mysuru District Committee President S. Subramanya presides, Vivekananda Hall, Sadvidya Educational Institutions, Narayan Shastry Road, **5 pm.**
- **Sri Uma Maheshwara Nruthya Kalakshetra Trust:** Valedictory of Amruth Mahotsava - Nruthya Sathaha - International Festival, Nruthyalaya Trust Director Dr. Tulasi Ramachandra and JSS Mahavidyapeetha Secretary S.P. Manjunath guests of honour, Musicologist Dr. R.S. Nandakumar delivers valedictory address, Gnanaganga Gruha Nirmana Sahakara Sangha Niyamitha President H.V. Rajeev presides, Kannada & Culture Assistant Director Dr. M.D. Sudarshan chief guest, Ganabharathi, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (APRIL 21)

- **Sri Renukadevi Karaga Devasthanada Trust, Ittigegud:** Sri Chamundeshwari and Sri Mariyamma's 102nd Annual Mysuru Karaga Mahotsava, various rituals, Temple premises, **6 am onwards.**
- **Sri Ramabhyudhaya Sabha Charitable Trust, Mysuru:** 136th year Sri Ramothsava Sangeethothsava-2026, Sri Shankara Jayanthi, Abhisheka and Archane to Sri Shankara Bhagavath Padaru, Procession, Mahamangalarathi and Prasada Viniyoga (in association with Sri Chidambareshwaraswamy Temple, Dhanavanthri Road), Smt. Alammana Choultry, Srirampet, **8.30 am.**
- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana:** Ramsons Kreedaa Kaushalya - 11th biennial of traditional board games of India, Ramsons Bombe Mane, Nazarbad, **10 am to 7 pm.**
- **District Administration, Kannada & Culture Department, Mysuru City Corporation, Mysuru Sri Shankaracharya Jayantyotsava Samiti:** Sri Shankaracharya Jayanti, Swami Sarvajayanandaji of Sri Ramakrishna Ashram graces the occasion, District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa inaugurates, MLA K. Harishgowda presides, critic G.N. Bhatta delivers lecture, Kalamandira, **11.30 am.**

MOVIES AT MALL OF MYSORE

Bhooth Bangla (H)	:	9.25 am, 12.50 pm, 3.40 pm
		7.05 pm, 10.30 pm
Love Mocktail 3 (K)	:	9.45 am, 4.15 pm
Mr. X (Ta)	:	10 am, 6.50 pm, 10.20 pm
Dhurandhar: The Revenge (K)	:	11 am, 5.45 pm
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Lee Cronin's The Mummy (E)	:	12.35 pm, 7.10 pm, 10.15 pm
LIK: Love Insurance Kompany (Ta)	:	3.35 pm
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Mr. X (Ta)	:	10 am, 12.40 pm, 7.10 pm
Vaazha 2: Biopic of a Billion Bros (Ma)	:	3.50 pm, 10.20 pm
Love Mocktail 3 (K)	:	4.10 pm
Bharathanatyam 2 Mohiniyattam (Ma)	:	7.10 pm
Bengaluru Inn (K)	:	10.10 pm

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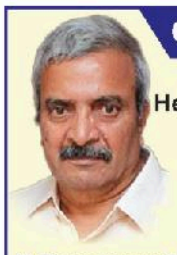

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